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Loving Brother,

I Writ to you from the *Lough* of *Carrickfergus* by a Frigot called the *Greyhound*, who was bound for *Deptford*, yet am in the mind that this may come first to your hand. In the other I gave you a full Account of our setting to Sea from this place the 9th Instant, and of our Arrival in the *Lough* of *London-Derry*, and the large Account of the Siege, and the stout Resistance of the Besieged, and our sailing back to Port *Rush*, within three miles of *Coulrain*, where was three Regiments of *James's* Men, but they left it upon the hearing of Coll. *Kirks* marching from *London-Derry* towards them.

From thence we came to the *Lough* of *Carrickfergus* the 20th Instant, where after we had come to Anchor, we had Orders to weigh again, and to lie as near the Castle as possible we could, and to fire at it; which Orders came from Duke *Schomberge*, that left *Belfast* the same day to lay Siege to *Carrickfergus*, that by our firing he might with the less danger bring his Men nigh the Town to Encamp, and we with the *Deptford* Frigot, and five more fired so fast for three or four hours time, that they in the Town durst not come nigh a Gun that lay against

us; and in all that time they only fired one shot from the Castle, which neither touched Ship nor Boat.

By this time the Army was Encamped nigh the Town, and plied their business so well, that that night they Intrenched themselves within 30 yards of the Wall; so they kept firing small shot all that night, and some Bombs our Men sent in which did considerable damage.

Next day the Besieged hung out a White Flag for Parley, and desired 14 days time to send to *Dublin* to King *James*, to know whether they must deliver it or no; but the General made answer, That he should have business in *Dublin* within 14 days. Then at it again pelmel, our Armies great Guns plaid, but could do no hurt to the Castle; for you know it is a very strong place; and so continued firing in the day time, and sometimes throwing of Fire-balls, which set some houses in the Town on fire, we losing but very few Men all this while.

The 27th Instant they beat a parly again, which they had done the day before, but was not heard, the parly held for four hours, and it was granted them to March out with their Arms and Cnapsacks on their Backs, which was supposed this gentle agreement





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ment was made by reason of the many poor Protestants that they had Prisoners in the Town and Castle.

The next day being the 18th, there marched out a Regiment of Dutch before them, and Captain Thomas Power with thirty Horse behind them to convey them past Lisburn, but in spite of him and his Horse, the Country people began to fall upon them, and took several of their Arms from them.

Before they were a Mile from the Town, the Women likewise falling upon their Trulls unrigg'd them of every thing they had on. I was just going ashore when they were marching away, where I saw one of the Towns Women come up to one Eveling, crying out, You Whore, this is my Gown, off with it, another cried, This is my Petticoat, off with it, a third with open Mouth swore the Smock was hers, and a little Girl cried the Hoods upon her Head was hers, they fell to it who should get off their own first, that to rearing they went, that Gown, Petticoat, Smock, Hoods, and all were not worth Two Pence by that time they had got them off, though they were good Clothes before, so that Eveling run about crying, O ye, O ye, up sage Mr. Dearmond. This I saw, and was very well pleased to see them in some part revenged of them for the great injury they had done them before; besides, we did suppose that by that time they past Lisburn, which you know is seven Miles from Belfast, they would have nothing left but their lives.

So that now there's Derry ours, Coulrain ours, Carrickfergus ours, Belfast ours, Lisburn, Hillsborough and Dromore ours, and all about Lurgan and Antrim ours, Eniskilling and Donagall ours; it's supposed we are bound for King's-fair next, from whence you may expect a true account of what ever happens of moment.

#### Postscript.

Yesterday Morning Major General Scruvenmore went off for Ireland in the Navy Yatch, Captain Pet Commander, and this day are coming thence about 60 small Vessels

into High-Lake, where the Duke of Bolton's Regiment of Foot, (one Soldier whereof was this Week shot to death for mutiny) and some Horse are already Embarkt in order to Transportation.

We hear the French Fleet are gone into Bell Isle, and the English to Torbay or Plymouth Sound.

In the Siege of Carrickfergus, we had on our side about 80 wounded, and some few kill'd.

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